

J.C. Montgomery 2015 Child Safety Awards Ceremony

Nomination Criteria and Application Requirements

Award Purpose

The Texas Office for Prevention of Developmental Disabilities (TOPDD) is proud to organize the 5th Annual J.C. Montgomery Child Safety Award Ceremony to honor those individuals and organizations that are nominated for their innovations, efficacy, and dedication to community-driven child safety measures in Texas.

Child safety is extremely important -but often overlooked, and the Safety Award was designed to recognize the importance of child safety and highlight people and organizations in Texas working tirelessly to keep children safe. This ceremony acts as a bridge to connect these people and organizations to build upon one another's strengths and create a comprehensive knowledge around best-practices to improve child safety in the state.

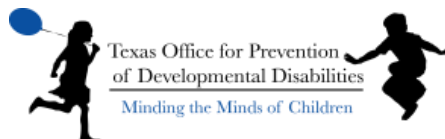
Nomination Criteria

- Taking an active role and being a strong advocate for child safety
- Designing programs and activities that promote child safety in an innovative and creative way
- Encouraging the youth to participate in child safety activities throughout the community
- Making an extra effort to improve or correct a specific aspect of child safety
- Supporting individuals that are marginalized in society (Individuals with disabilities, minority groups, economically disadvantaged)
- Demonstrating the ability to overcome barriers or challenges within their work
- Influencing others to carry out safety work

In addition to the criteria above, the nominees will be reviewed based on the diversity of their focus, audiences served, and the nature of work; feel free to nominate yourself or your own organization. If selected, the nominee will be invited to the Safety Awards Ceremony and will be presented with a prestigious award on behalf of the State of Texas. This year, the Child Safety Award Ceremony will take place at the State Capitol in Austin, Texas on Friday, November 20th, 2015.

Nomination Application Requirements

- Nomination Form** – Complete and submit the online application for individual and organization nominations. Download the form on www.topdd.state.gov
- Nominee's Biography** – Include the nominee's biography or resume, describing background and contributions.
- Complete Submission Package** – In order to be considered, all of the above items must be received by the close of business on Thursday, September 10, 2015. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.



Download the application online at www.topdd.state.gov

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Submission Instructions: Submit your nomination via email using this form.

- a) Send form pages and the Nominee's biography or resume to angela.morales@hhsc.state.tx.us
- b) Address Emails to Angela Morales, Operations Manager of TOPDD
- c) Include both the nominator and nominee's names in the subject line.

Nominator Information

Name

**Company/
Organization**

Mailing Address

City/ State/ Zip

Phone(s)

Email(s)

Nominee for the Child Safety Award

(Please do not leave any space blank)

Type of Award: (Check one)

☐ Individual

☐ Organization

Name of Nominee

Organization

Contact Person (if applicable)

Mailing Address

City/ State/ Zip

Phone(s)

Email(s)

Describe your affiliation with the Nominee: (i.e. self; former/current affiliation; employee; vendor; supervisor; other)

Deadline to Submit Application is September 10, 2015

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Short Answers

- 1) Provide your reason for nomination.** (Be as detailed as possible regarding your reason for nomination.)
- 2) Describe how the Nominee meets the nomination criteria.**
- 3) Describe how the Nominee has made a unique and significant impact on the issue of safety.**

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